



## Knob Noster State Park 2011 Astronomy Programs



**All program dates are Saturdays and start at 8:30pm**

**These fun, free programs led by local amateur astronomers are designed to help beginners learn and appreciate the night sky. Telescopes will be set up and questions are encouraged. Please bring something to sit on. Insect repellent is recommended**

**MAY 28 “Lord of the Rings” Saturn dominates all summer. See its rings; take constellation tours, watch man-made satellites fly overhead and more.**

**JUNE 04 A beautiful 3 day old crescent Moon starts the evenings observing early; followed by Saturn, stars, satellites, constellation tours, and much more to see and learn.**

**JULY 02 A razor thin crescent Moon and fleeting Mercury might be viewable early in the program. Saturn’s rings and largest moon, Titan, still impress as do double stars, satellites, star clusters, etc.**

**JULY 09 “Magnificent Desolation”—the Moon Explore the Moon’s craters and mountains in honor of Apollo 11’s landing forty-two years ago. Constellation tours, planets, and much more to see also.**

**JULY 30 New Moon=no Moon=Dark Skies! Saturn is still awesome, but so are globular clusters, open clusters, and double stars. Summer Milky Way shines overhead now, too.**

**AUGUST 06 Explore the Moon’s “Terminator” (w/o Arnold) at its wonderful 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Phase. Saturn’s rings plus the many treasures of the Summer Triangle and Milky Way await your eyes and mind.**

For more information about the event, contact the park directly at 660-563-2463 or the Missouri Department of Natural Resources toll free at 800-334-6946 (voice) or 800-379-2419 (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf). For more information about Missouri state parks and historic sites, visit the Web at [www.mostateparks.com](http://www.mostateparks.com).

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